

# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

ST. MATTHEWS K-8 SCHOOL

Calhoun

Grades: PK-8 Enrollment: 686

Principal: Mr. Barry Charley Superintendent: Dr. Steve Wilson Board Chair: Mrs. Joyce Parrish

# **PERFORMANCE**

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2010	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

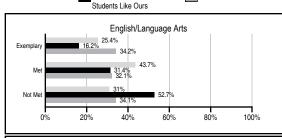
#### ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

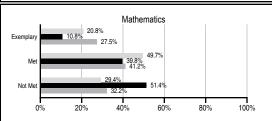
Middle schools statewide

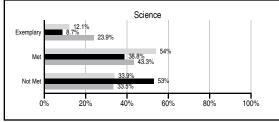
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	10	24	25

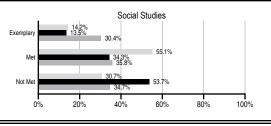
<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

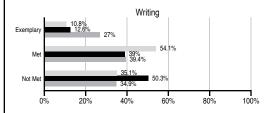












#### **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

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READING – GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina		28	45	2	5	2
Nation		25	43	2	9	3
% Below Basic  % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced  ■ Below Basic  □ Proficient  ■ Advanced						
MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina	[	30	38	25		7
Nation		28	39	26		8
% Below Basic						
SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2009)						
South Carolina		45	32	22	1	
Nation		38	33	28	1	
% Below Basic   % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced						
■ Below Basic	Basic	□ Proficient	■ Advanced			

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011						
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours				
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	89.1				
English 1	100.0	86.8				
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	N/A	22.7				
Physical Science	N/A	16.8				
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A				
All Subjects	100.0	88.0				

#### **SC PERFORMANCE** VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

# ST. MATTHEWS K-8 SCHOOL [Calhoun]

# **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=686)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	15.6%	Up from 1.9%	13.2%	24.5%
Retention rate	2.2%	Up from 0.0%	1.0%	0.7%
Attendance rate	96.6%	Up from 96.1%	95.3%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	10.1%	Up from 7.0%	5.4%	17.8%
With disabilities other than speech	5.5%	Down from 8.6%	11.2%	9.2%
Older than usual for grade	1.6%	Down from 3.4%	3.4%	1.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.7%	Down from 6.2%	0.3%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=49)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	61.2%	Up from 60.4%	59.8%	60.0%
Continuing contract teachers	93.9%	Up from 93.8%	68.8%	82.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	77.3%	85.6%
Teacher attendance rate	96.3%	Up from 95.5%	95.4%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,180	Down 0.0%	\$44,262	\$46,300
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	6.1%	1.2%
Professional development days/teacher	9.0 days	Up from 6.8 days	10.2 days	9.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 2.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.7 to 1	Up from 16.0 to 1	18.1 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.1%	Up from 90.3%	89.1%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	83.9%	Up from 67.7%	98.0%	98.1%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,933	N/A	\$10,043	\$7,634
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.8%	N/A	60.0%	64.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	69.5%	N/A	55.8%	61.2%
% of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days.	88.2%	No Change	69.2%	80.5%

#### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	52	57	67
Percent satisfied with learning environment	82.7%	94.7%	76.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	88.2%	89.5%	72.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	78.8%	94.7%	77.6%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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# REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Report of Principal and School Improvement Council

The mission of St. Matthews K-8 School, united with parents and community, is to provide a conducive learning environment that challenges all students to reach their potential for success in a rapidly changing global society. St. Matthews K-8 offers a diverse instructional program designed to prepare students to become viable, responsible and intelligent citizens. The instructional staff provides "hands-on", technology-based instruction that is meaningful, relevant, and prompts critical thinking skills. Staff development sessions and academic workshops in the content areas focusing on standardized testing were conducted. Tutorial sessions and after school tutoring were offered to all students. Reading initiatives were introduced, and writing across the curriculum was embraced. During school-wide and grade-level presentations, students were presented with academic and behavioral data, as well as noted accomplishments, to keep them aware of the overall performance of our school and the areas of concern.

We had many accomplishments to be proud of; Writing Essay Winners; Science Winners; Math Fest Winners, Consortium of the Arts members; Educational Talent Search through Claflin University; FFVP Grant; Duke Scholars and R.I.D.D.E Winners.

Our students were provided an array of academic, club, and athletic opportunities beyond the traditional classroom such as: Accelerated Math; Accelerated Reading; Student Council; National Junior Beta Club; Science Fair; Character Education Program; After-School Enrichment; Black History Month Celebration; Veteran's Day Recognition; Field trips; Job shadowing; Special Olympics; Gentleman's Club; Mentoring Program; Just Say No Club; Recycling Club; Yearbook; Montessori Arts and Crafts Club; Math Madness; DARE; Wee Deliver Mail System; Book Club; Read Across America; and Middle School athletics of cheerleading, football, and basketball. Every teacher was afforded a lap top, smart board, projector, and document camera. The teachers utilized various instructional technologies to enhance student learning such as: Think Link, Study Island, USA Test Prep, Waterford, Achieve 3000, Education City, Brain Pop, Math, Renaissance Learning, and Quiz Hub. The faculty and staff undertook the transition well from SASI to Power Teacher and Power School.

Here at St. Matthews K-8 School, we were fortunate to have active community involvement and outreach programs such as: School Volunteer Program, March of Dimes; Relay for Life; canned food drive; Adopt a family; Community Thanksgiving Dinner; St. Jude Research Hospital Fund Drive; Family partnership; Teacher Cadets from Calhoun County High School; and finally but not least of all, our community involvement and support from our School Improvement Council and PTSA were excellent. In closing, we would like to extend a special thanks to our district, school volunteers, faculty and staff, community, and students for their continued effort and support. St. Matthews K-8 could not have been successful without our stakeholders.

Barry Charley, Principal Eloise Guinyard, School Improvement Council, Chair

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.